



Board of Acupuncture Licensing
Public Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM
7 Eagle Square Concord, NH

Attendance

Present:

Members: Diane Chase, Amy Goldstein, Vicki Irwin, L. Cindy Theroux-Jette

Guests: Tina Kelly, Doug Osterhoudt, Lauren Warner, Jessica Whelehan, Jenna Wilson

Absent:

Members: Jody Bell

I. Call To Order

Cindy Theroux-Jette called the meeting to order at 10:03AM.

II. Review of Public Minutes

Motion:

to approve the 6/8/2022 public meeting minutes as amended.

Motion moved by Diane Chase and motion seconded by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette. Passed.

III. Public Appearances

A. Rulemaking Hearing 10:00 AM: Acp 400 - License Renewal and Continuing Education; Acp 600 – Scope of Practice and Specialty Practice

L. Cindy Theroux-Jette opened the public hearings for Acp 400 & Acp 600 at 10:05AM and read the required information pursuant to RSA 541-A. There was no public comment received and the hearing was closed at 10:21AM.

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

A. OnBoard Implementation

After initial login assistance, the Board members indicated they were able to navigate OnBoard and review the meeting materials successfully.

V. Old Business

The Board determined it is necessary to review each state's acupuncture laws and rules to determine if they meet or exceed New Hampshire's requirements for licensure to compile an accurate list of jurisdictions eligible for reciprocity applicants. The Board divided the states alphabetically as follows:

L. Cindy Theroux-Jette: States beginning with the letters A - G

Diane Chase: States beginning with H - Maryland

Vicki Irwin: Massachusetts - New Jersey
Jody Bell: New Mexico - South Carolina
Amy Goldstein: South Dakota - Wyoming

VI. New Business

A. Correspondence related to scope of practice

The Board instructed Jenna Wilson to respond to the inquiry about micro needling by indicating that the practice is not explicitly excluded in law or rule, and that the writer may submit a request for a declaratory ruling pursuant to the requirements in Chapter Acp 200.

B. 2023 Meeting Dates

The Board plans to meet on the following dates in 2023: March 17, June 16, October 27, and December 15. Additional meeting date and times may be added by the board chair, or called by a majority of the board as needed.

C. Board Leadership - elections

Motion:

to nominate Vicki Irwin to serve as the Board's chairperson.

Motion moved by Diane Chase and motion seconded by Amy Goldstein. Passed.

Motion:

to nominate Diane Chase at the Board's vice chairperson.

Motion moved by Vicki Irwin and motion seconded by Amy Goldstein. Passed.

Motion:

to nominate Jody Bell to serve as the Board's secretary.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Amy Goldstein. Passed.

VII. Licensure

A. Molly Gendreau, Reinstatement Application

Motion:

to accept Ms. Gendreau's application and grant reinstatement of licensure.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Diane Chase. Passed

B. Joyce Gu, Initial Application

Motion:

to accept Ms. Gu's application and approve licensure.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Amy Goldstein.

L. Cindy Theroux-Jette announced the Board would take a brief recess at 11:46AM. Public session resumed at 12:00PM.

VIII. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

A. See Rulemaking Public Hearings in section III. Public Appearances

B. Acp 300

The Board worked with Tina Kelley and Doug Osterhoudt on the Acp 300 initial proposal including the expiring intern registration process.

Motion:

to authorize the Board chairperson to review the finalized initial proposal for content and communicate directly with Tina Kelley on behalf of the Board to ensure the language in the rule reflects the Board's intent.

Motion moved by Amy Goldstein and motion seconded by Vicki Irwin. Passed

Motion:

to move forward with the Acp 300 initial proposal as amended during the meeting with review by the chairperson, to proceed with formal rulemaking.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Vicki Irwin. Passed.

C. Acp 500

Motion:

to approve the final proposal of Acp 500 as amended during the meeting.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Amy Goldstein. Passed.

The Board informed Tina Kelley and Doug Osterhoudt that the members voted in June to repeal Acp 200 and adopt Plc 200. The Board requested OPLC's assistance with pursuing the rulemaking.

D. Acu-Detox Specialist, Draft Legislation, and SB290 work session

The Board discussed draft legislation ideas related to ear acupuncture and suggested asking Senator Charon Carson to sponsor the LSR.

Motion:

to create a subcommittee composed of L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and Diane Chase to continue work on draft legislation outside of the meeting to bring ideas and draft language back to the Board during a public meeting.

Motion moved by L. Cindy Theroux-Jette and motion seconded by Vicki Irwin. Passed

IX. Non-Public Session

No action was taken in non-public session.

X. Adjournment

L. Cindy Theroux-Jette adjourned the meeting at 2:07PM